

CANADIAN DRAMA AWARD

The Annual Meeting of the Governing Committee of the Canadian Drama Award was held on Sunday, December 4th, at 11 a.m., at the home of the Treasurer, Mr. Charles F. Swannell, Deep Cove, Sidney, B.C.

These present were:

Mrs. Gerald Rushton, Chairman,
Mrs. Allan S. Gregory,
Mr. H. Roy Goldfinch,
Mr. C. Swannell,
Miss Anne F. Adamson, Secretary.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and welcomed those members who were able to attend. Regrets had been received from Mrs. E.A. Woodward, Mr. Ross A. Lort, Mr. Don Wetmore, and Lt.-Col. Yves Bourassa.

Minutes: It was moved by Mrs. Gregory and seconded by Mr. Goldfinch that the minutes of the last Annual Meeting be accepted as circulated. (carried)

Coffee Party: The chairman recalled the successful coffee party held at the time of the Dominion Drama Festival in May in Victoria at which 35 CDA's were present.

Correspondence: A number of letters from those receiving last year's award were read and filed.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Swannell reported that at present the bank balance was \$61.87. It was felt that this amount would be sufficient to cover our present requirements.

The chairman recalled Col. Yves Bourassa's letter in which he expressed regret that no candidates had been nominated from the Eastern provinces. It was felt that a letter should go to all Governing Committee members requesting that they consider suitable candidates for the Award.

Motion: It was moved by Miss Adamson and seconded by Mr. Goldfinch that the Governing Committee be empowered to confer the Canadian Drama Award on those persons considered worthy of the honour. (carried)

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Swannell and seconded by Mrs. Gregory that the Governing Committee be reminded of their responsibility to bring forward the names of worthy candidates. (carried)

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British Columbia: Much thought and consideration was given to the nomination of Mr. Herbert A. Farr of Victoria for this award. It was moved by Mr. Goldfinch and seconded by Mrs. Gregory that no award to Mr. Farr be made this year. (carried).

Alberta: After careful study of the candidate's background and contribution to Drama in Canada it was moved by Miss Adamson and seconded by Mr. Swannell that Mr. Thomas Peacocke of Edmonton receive the 1966 Canadian Drama Award. (carried).

Saskatchewan: Motion: It was moved by Mr. Goldfinch and seconded by Miss Adamson that Mrs. Phyllis Wilson's sponsors be contacted with the suggestion that this candidate be recommended on some future occasion and that information prior to 1959 be included. (carried).

Manitoba: It was moved by Mrs. Gregory and seconded by Mr. Swannell that M. Gilles Guyot receive the 1966 Canadian Drama Award. (carried unanimously).

Professional Award: Mrs. Gregory moved and Miss Adamson seconded that the Governing Committee award to Mr. Malcolm Black of the Vancouver Playhouse the

1966 Canadian Drama Award for his outstanding contribution to professional theatre in Canada. (carried unanimously).

Professional Award: It was moved by Mr. Swannell and seconded by Mr. Goldfinch that Mr. Mavor Moore of Toronto receive the 1966 Canadian Drama Award for his services to the Charlottetown Theatre and for his outstanding contribution to Drama in Canada. (carried unanimously).

New Structure: Discussion followed concerning the future of the Canadian Drama Award and its purpose now and in the future. The chairman suggested that all members of the Governing Committee take time to consider and write down their thoughts on the future work of the CDA and, if necessary, a meeting will be called in the spring to draw up a new structure. Committee members will be asked to send in their suggestions to the Chairman.

Election of Officers: It was moved by Mrs. Gregory and seconded by Mr. Goldfinch that the present executive carry on for another year. (carried).

New Member of the Governing Committee: It was moved by Miss Adamson and seconded by Mr. Swannell that Mr. Richard MacDonald, formerly Executive Director of the Dominion Drama Festival and now residing in Edmonton be invited to join the executive committee. (carried).

Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 with the serving of coffee, courtesy of Mrs. Swannell.

Signed

THE COUNCIL OF THE
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